

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Gregor John McLennan ANDERSON, et al.  
Serial No. : 09/937,232  
Filed : September 24, 2001  
Title : *Valve*  
  
Grp. /A.U. : 3754  
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Confirmation No. : 6565  
  
Docket No. : PG3654USw

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL SUBMITTED**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment after Final is filed in order to respond to the final Office Action mailed November 17, 2006 (the Action). Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment after Final and the issuance of a Notice of Allowance forthwith. Alternatively, Applicants respectfully requests entry of this Amendment after Final as narrowing the issues on appeal.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge any fees or credit any overpayment, particularly including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16, to deposit Account No. 07-1392.

Amendments to the Claims appear at the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.